

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS' intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, and to allow a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by **April 24, 2015.**

ADDRESSES: When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the

document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions:

OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs

Attention: CMS Desk Officer

Fax Number: (202) 395-5806 OR

E-mail: *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov*

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS' Web Site address at

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995.

2. E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.

3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term "collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-day notice in the **Federal Register**

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concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

- 1. Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Survey of Retail Prices: Payment and Utilization Rates, and Performance Rankings; Use: This study is divided into two parts. Part I focuses on the retail community pharmacy consumer prices. It also includes reporting by the states of payment and utilization rates for the 50 most widely prescribed drugs, and comparing state drug payment rates with the national retail survey prices. Part II focuses on the retail community pharmacy ingredient costs. This segment surveys the average acquisition costs of all covered outpatient drugs purchased by retail community pharmacies. The prices will be updated on at least a monthly basis. Subsequent to the publication of the 60-day Federal Register notice (79 FR 75816), the burden has been reduced by removing requirements for Part I pending funding decisions. There are no changes to Part II. Form Number: CMS-10241 (OMB control number 0938-1041); Frequency: Yearly and Occasionally; Affected Public: Private sector (Business or other for-profits); Number of Respondents: 30,000; Total Annual Responses: 30,000; Total Annual Hours: 15,000. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact: Lisa Ferrandi at 410-786-5445).
- 2. <u>Type of Information Collection Request</u>: Extension of a currently approved collection; <u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Administrative Requirements for Section 6071 of the Deficit Reduction Act; Use: State Operational Protocols should provide enough information such that:

the CMS Project Officer and other federal officials may use it to understand the operation of the demonstration, prepare for potential site visits without needing additional information, or both; the State Project Director can use it as the manual for program implementation; and external stakeholders may use it to understand the operation of the demonstration. The financial information collection is used in our financial statements and shared with the auditors who validate CMS' financial position. The Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration (MFP) Finders File, MFP Program Participation Data file, and MFP Services File are used by the national evaluation contractor to assess program outcomes while we use the information to monitor program implementation. The MFP Quality of Life data is used by the national evaluation contractor to assess program outcomes. The evaluation is used to determine how participants' quality of life changes after transitioning to the community. The semi-annual progress report is used by the national evaluation contractor and CMS to monitor program implementation at the grantee level. Form Number: CMS-10249 (OMB control number: 0938-1053); Frequency: Yearly, quarterly, and semi-annually; Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Governments; Number of Respondents: 45; Total Annual Responses: 28,590; Total Annual Hours: 14,225. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Michael Smith at 410-786-2267.)

3. <u>Type of Information Collection Request:</u> New collection (Request for a new OMB control number); <u>Title of Information Collection:</u> Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) OASIS-C1/ICD-10; <u>Use:</u> Home health agencies (HHAs) are required to collect the outcome and assessment information data set (OASIS) to participate in the Medicare program.

We are requesting a new OMB control number for the proposed revised OASIS item set, referred

to hereafter as OASIS-C1/ICD-10. The current version of the OASIS-C1/ICD-9 data set was approved by OMB on October 7, 2014 (0938-0760), and will be in use until the implementation of the ICD-10 coding system which is currently scheduled for October 1, 2015. Subsequent to the 60-day **Federal Register** notice (80 FR 1419), there was a minor typographical correction made to the data set. <u>Form Number:</u> CMS-10545 (OMB control number: 0938-NEW); <u>Frequency:</u> Occasionally; <u>Affected Public:</u> Private Sector (Business or other for-profit and Notfor-profit institutions); <u>Number of Respondents:</u> 12,014; <u>Total Annual Responses:</u> 17,268,890; <u>Total Annual Hours:</u> 15,320,253. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Cheryl Wiseman at 410-786-1175).

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